***An internship is a form of experiential learning that integrates knowledge and theory learned in the classroom with practical application and skills development in a professional setting. Internships give students the opportunity to gain valuable applied experience and make connections in professional fields they are considering for career paths; and give employers the opportunity to guide and evaluate talent.*** *-NACE, National Association of Colleges and Employers.*

**Course Learning Objectives**

* Students will perform meaningful work related to the student’s self-designed Area of Concentration (AOC)
* Students will apply knowledge gained from courses in their approved or prospective AOC
* Students will demonstrate the ability to reflect on how the internship applies to personal, academic, and career goals
* Students will satisfy the employing organization in terms of work performance

**Course Requirements:**

Students must complete the six requirements listed below to successfully complete the SPST 4910 course and receive academic credit for their internship. More details about these requirements will be contained in the course syllabus; a sample course syllabus is available upon request from the Internship Coordinator.

1. Work

* Provide useful service to the organization
* Comply with all rules and regulations of the organization
* Work the number of hours that corresponds to credit hours of enrollment; forty hours of work is expected for every credit hour of enrollment

1. Identification of Personal Learning Outcomes
2. Reflection Papers (2)
3. Final Paper or Final Project
4. Evaluation by Supervisor
5. Resume

**Grade:** CR or F. Your grade is based on the completion and quality of the assignments listed above. Failing to satisfactorily complete any of the five requirements listed above will result in failing the course.

**Cost:** SPST 4910 course credit is billed at the same rate as all other Ohio University course credit; if you have questions about how much the course will cost, contact the Bursar’s Office or review the Tuition and Fee information at ohio.edu/bursar

**Academic Credit Guidelines:**

* SPST 4910 course can be taken for 1-15 credits (1 credit for every 40 work hours)
* SPST 4910 course is repeatable but total credit earned cannot exceed 15 hours
* Internship hours performed between academic terms will be counted toward the following academic term
* Students are registered for SPST 4910 by the internship supervisor after completion of the online application.